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**In re Application of:**

Trung T. Doan

**Serial No.:** 09/506,204

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**For:** CONTACT/VIA FORCE FILL  
TECHNIQUES AND RESULTING  
STRUCTURES

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**Group Art Unit:** 2814

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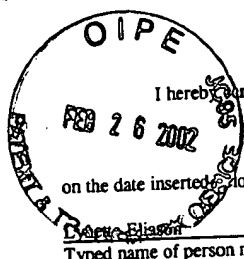
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Sir:

Enclosed for filing in connection with the above-identified patent application, and submitted in the order listed, are:

- ☒ Postcard receipt acknowledgment (attached to the front of this transmittal).  
☒ Duplicate copy of this transmittal sheet in the event that additional filing fees are required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16. Any such fees may be charged to deposit account no. 20-1469.  
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☐ Petition for Extension of Time in duplicate with check no. in the amount of \$.  
☐ Verified statement(s) to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.27 signed by (or on behalf of) .  
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**Remarks:**

- ☒ An amendment has been made involving one or more claims in the application. The calculation to determine whether any additional fee is due is presented below.

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Indep. claims	-	3	=	x 84.00	= 0.00
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Reduction for small entity - 50% of subtotal*					
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- 1 Claims remaining after amendment.  
2 Highest number of claims previously paid for. Not less than 20 for total claims and 3 for independent claims.  
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